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SOLUTION FOR PHOTOMASK

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2003, be extended for two months. In response to such Office Action, a Continuation Application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) with remarks is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please charge the extension fee of \$420.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

> Respectfully submitted, MCDERMOTT, WILL & EMERY

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